

## Create Movies Effortlessly with Windows Movie Maker 2

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Windows Movie Maker 2 makes it easy for just about anyone to make movies on their computer. Just build your storyboard, edit your clips, add music, and you'll have your first movie ready to go!

## Build a Storyboard

Movie Maker automatically divides your video into segments to make it easier to drag and drop the parts you want onto the storyboard where you put your movie together.

To build a storyboard:

1. Import video to your PC. You'll see your clips in the Collections view.
2. Double click on each clip to see how it looks in the preview window.
3. Once you've decided which ones you want to put in your movie, click and drag the clips to the Storyboard in the order in which you'd like them to appear in your final movie



The Storyboard

4. To rearrange your clips on the storyboard, just drag and drop them to a different location. :

## Edit Your Clips

Trim your clips to get exactly the footage you need.

To edit clips:

1. In the Timeline view, click on the clip you'd like to trim.
2. In the Preview window, drag the scroll bar slowly and watch as the video progresses.
3. Stop at the point where you want to trim the clip.
4. On the Clip menu, click Set Start Trim Point.
5. Now continue to drag the progress indicator until you reach the desired end point of your clip.



Editing a clip

6. On the Clip menu, click Set End Trim Point.
7. You will now have your trimmed clip. :

## Add Audio

A soundtrack can really draw your audience in and add fun to your home movies. Just import your favorite clips and then drag them to the timeline.

To add audio:

1. In the Taskpane, click on Import audio or music.
2. Navigate to the music track you'd like to add to your movie .
3. Click on Import.
4. The music track will appear in your Collection view.



A music clip in the Collection view

5. Click on Show Timeline button in the Storyboard section of your screen.
6. Drag your music track to the Audio/Music level of the Timeline.

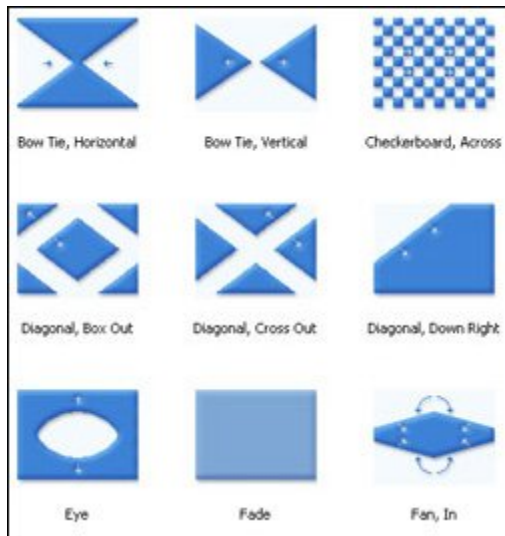
Get creative and have more fun enhancing your movies with techniques used by professional video producers.

## Add Transitions

You can make your movie look more polished and professional by using transitions to move between clips. If you want more pizzazz in your vacation highlights, a fade or spin from one location to the next can really add excitement to your video.

To add transitions:

1. Build your Storyboard by dragging clips in the desired order.
2. In the Edit Movie section of the Taskpane, click View video transitions. A selection of transitions will appear.



A selection of transitions

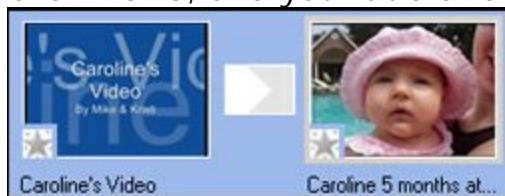
3. Double-click the transitions to see how they look in the preview window.
4. Once you've decided which transitions to include in your final movie, drag them down to the Storyboard and place them in the squares between your video clips.

## Add Titles and Credits

You can insert titles and scrolling credits at the end of your movie, just like a professional Hollywood film.

To add titles and credits:

1. In the Taskpane, click Make titles or credits.
2. On the next screen, click the appropriate link that corresponds to the place where you want to add the title or credits to your movie.
3. Enter the text you want to appear in your title or credits.
4. Click Change the title animation, and then select a title animation from the list. You can preview them by clicking on them.
5. Click Change the text and font color, and then select the font you like, as well as the color of the text and background.
6. You can also alter the transparency, font size, and position of the title.
7. Click Done, and your title or credit will be added to your storyboard.



A title on the storyboard

## Add Effects

Dozens of effects right at your fingertips give you more ways to enhance your story.

To add titles and credits:

1. In the Taskpane, click View video effects. A selection of video effects will appear.



Video effects selection

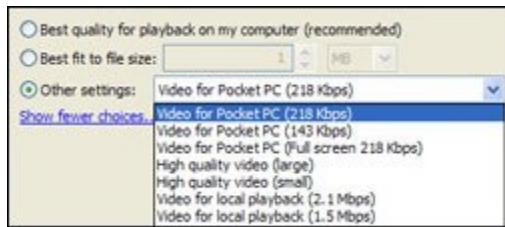
2. Double-click the effects to see how they look in the preview window.
3. Once you've decided which effects to include in your final movie, drag them down to the Storyboard and place it on top of the star in the lower left hand corner of the clip.

## Save a movie to your computer

Saving a movie to the My Computer folder lets you save a high-quality version of your home video or work in progress into the convenient My Videos folder.

To save a movie to your computer:

1. Once your movie is assembled, click Save to my computer in the Taskpane.
2. Enter a name for your movie.
3. Choose a place to save your movie. Your My Videos folder will be the default location, but you can store it anywhere you like on your hard drive.
4. Click Next.
5. Select the setting for your new movie. Windows Movie Maker will recommend a setting, but you can choose a different setting if you like. Note that the setting details and the Movie file size appear in the lower portion of the Wizard.



Choosing a setting

6. Click Next.
7. Your movie will be saved.
8. Click the check-box in the Wizard if you'd like to play your movie when you click Finish.
9. Click Finish.

## Save a movie to a CD

Because Windows XP offers native support for CD burning, movies created with Windows Movie Maker 2 can be copied to CDs easily, at the full speed of the CD-R or CD-RW drive. This is a great way to share high quality playback with friends and family on the computer.

To save a movie to CD:

1. Once your movie is assembled, click Save to CD in the Taskpane.
2. Enter a name for your movie and a name for your CD. (These can be the same, but the CD is limited to 16 characters.)
3. Click Next.
4. On the Movie Setting page, do one of the following:
  1. To use the default movie setting, click Best quality for recordable CD (recommended). The specific setting details, such as the file type, bit rate, display size, aspect ratio, and frames per second displayed in the video, are shown in the Setting details area. Keep in mind that a CD typically has 650 MB of storage space, so you can adjust settings accordingly to maximize quality of the final product.



Setting details

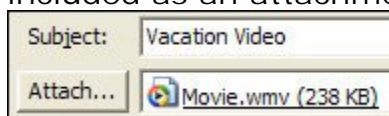
2. To use a different movie setting, click Show more choices, and then choose another movie setting from the list.
5. Click Next. Windows Movie Maker will create your movie.
6. When finished, your CD will eject from your computer. Click Finish.

## Send a movie in e-mail

The great compression and quality of Windows Media Video means you can finally e-mail video of your baby's first steps, your vacation highlights, or any memories you want to share.

To send a movie in e-mail:

1. Once your movie is assembled, click Send in e-mail in the Taskpane.
2. Windows Movie Maker will save your movie, automatically selecting a setting that will keep the file size small enough to be accepted by most e-mail systems.
3. After the movie is saved, you can play your movie or save it to your hard drive before sending it in e-mail. If you want to send immediately in e-mail, skip to Step 6.
4. To play the movie in your default player before sending it in e-mail, click Play the movie.
5. To save a local copy of the movie on your computer before sending it in e-mail, click Save a copy of my movie on my computer, enter a movie file name in the File name box, and then click Save.
6. Click Next, and your default e-mail program will open with your movie included as an attachment.



E-mail with movie attached

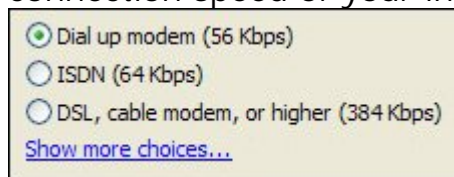
7. Address your e-mail to the appropriate people, add a subject or any other personalized message you like, and Send.

## Post a movie to the Web

Save your movies and then send them to a video hosting provider on the Web—if you don't currently have a hosting provider, you can sign up directly from the Wizard. This is a great way for family and friends to watch edited home movies.

To post a movie to the Web:

1. Once your movie is assembled, click Send to the web in the Taskpane.
2. Enter the name of your movie and click Next.
3. On the Movie Setting page, do one of the following:
  1. Choose one of the movie settings that best matches the Internet connection speed of your intended audience.



Selecting a connection speed

2. Click Show more choices, and select one of the additional movie settings.
4. Click Next and wait for your movie to be saved.
5. On the Select a Video Hosting Provider and Sign In page, click Sign up now to see a list of video hosting providers available, and then sign up and establish an account with a provider. Sign in with your new user name and password, then come back to Movie Maker and enter in your User Name and Password.
6. If you already have an account with a video hosting provider, simply enter in your User Name and Password.
7. Click Next, and Windows Movie Maker will transfer your video to the Web. This may take a few moments.
8. Do any of the following:
  1. To play the movie on the Web, click the Watch my movie on the Web after I click Finish check box.
  2. To save a local copy of the movie on your computer and upload a copy to the video hosting provider's server, click Save a copy of my movie on my computer.

#### Burn a movie to DVD

Once you have saved your home movie, you can burn it to a DVD, using additional software.

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/moviemaker/getstarted/default.aspx>